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MEMORANDUM FOR: AD/RR

14 June 1965

SUBJECT: Inter-Agency Committees

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1. [REDACTED] phoned me on 14 June 1965 concerning the recent departmental review of inter-agency committees.
2. Among the guide-lines for reporting,
 - a. An agency providing the Chairman for an inter-agency committee could recommend that the committee be dissolved.
 - b. An agency providing a member on a committee could make the same recommendation to the agency supplying the Chairman of that committee.
3. The Department of Defense, however, made their report directly to the Bureau of the Budget and recommended the following five subcommittees of the EIC be abolished:

Chemicals
Economic Defense
Electric Power and Solid Fuels
Industrial Machinery and Equipment
Minerals and Metals

DOD's reasons for the recommendation were that the named subcommittees seldom had meetings and that other means for the exchange of information and coordination were adequate.

4. The Bureau of the Budget has returned this recommendation to CIA for its decision. It is our option to approve or disapprove. I have checked with the chairmen of three of the five subcommittees mentioned and find that DOD's recommendation was not discussed or coordinated with them.

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